

SIMEON KNIGHT.

[To accompany bill H. R. No. 239.]

MARCH 5, 1840.

Mr. C. MORRIS, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT:

*The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Simeon Knight, having had the same under consideration, report the following facts:*

That, in the year 1814, the petitioner and a number of others, who were exempt by law from military duty, formed themselves, by voluntary enlistment, into a company denominated "Silver Grays," elected their own officers, &c. The petitioner was chosen orderly sergeant. He, with the rest of the company, was in the battle at Sodus Point, on Lake Ontario, on the 19th of June, 1813. In that engagement the petitioner received a musket-ball in the inside of the right thigh, which was lodged in the thigh, and cut out on the opposite side; he bled in great abundance, and nearly lost his life from loss of blood. That in consequence of the loss of blood, and other injuries resulting from the wound, he gradually lost his sight, and is now totally blind; that he is afflicted with pain in the region of the wound, and this limb has ever since been much weaker than the other, in consequence of the wound.

His service in said battle, the severe wound he then received, and his subsequent blindness, are sufficiently proved by Colonel Elias Cost, who commanded the regiment to which the petitioner belonged, and by several other depositions.

The committee are of the opinion that the petitioner is entitled to relief; and, therefore, report a bill for a pension of eight dollars a month, from the first day of January, 1838, to continue during his natural life.

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His service in said battle, the severe wound he then received, and his subsequent blindness, are sufficiently proved by Colonel Elias Coit, who commanded the regiment to which the petitioner belonged, and by several other depositions.

The committee are of the opinion that the petitioner is entitled to relief; and, therefore, report a bill for a pension of eight dollars a month, from the first day of January, 1832, to continue during his natural life.

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